DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of the Comptroller of the Currency
12 CFR Part 43
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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM 12 CFR Part 244 [Docket No. OP-1688]

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION 12 CFR Part 373 RIN 3064-ZA07

FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY 12 CFR Part 1234 Notice No. 2019-N-7

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT 24 CFR Part 267 FR-6172-N-02

Credit Risk Retention- Notification of Commencement of Review; Extension of Review Period

AGENCY: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Treasury (OCC); Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board); Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (Commission); Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA); and Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ACTION: Notification of commencement of review; extension of review period.

SUMMARY: The OCC, Board, FDIC, Commission, FHFA, and HUD (the agencies) are providing notice of the extension of the period for the review, and publication of determination of the review, of the definition of qualified residential mortgage; the

community-focused residential mortgage exemption; and the exemption for qualifying three-to-four unit residential mortgage loans, in each case as currently set forth in the Credit Risk Retention Regulations (as defined below) as adopted by the agencies.

DATES: The period for completion of the review of the subject residential mortgage provisions and publication of notice disclosing determination of this review is extended until June 20, 2021.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The credit risk retention regulations are codified at 12 CFR part 43; 12 CFR part 244; 12 CFR part 373; 17 CFR part 246; 12 CFR part 1234; and 24 CFR part 267 (the Credit Risk Retention Regulations). The Credit Risk Retention Regulations require the OCC, Board, FDIC, and Commission, in consultation with the FHFA and HUD, to commence, and give notice of commencement of, a review of the following provisions of the Credit Risk Retention Regulations no later than December 24, 2019: (1) the definition of qualified residential mortgage (QRM) in

section _.13 of the Credit Risk Retention Regulations; (2) the community-focused residential mortgage exemption in section _.19(f) of the Credit Risk Retention Regulations; and (3) the exemption for qualifying three-to-four unit residential mortgage loans in section _.19(g) of the Credit Risk Retention Regulations (collectively, the "subject residential mortgage provisions"). The Credit Risk Retention Regulations also require that, after completion of this review, but no later than six months after publication of a notification announcing the review, unless extended by the agencies, the agencies publish a notification disclosing the determination of their review. Notification of the commencement of the review was published in the *Federal Register* on December 20, 2019 (84 FR 70073).

This notification is being published to give notice that, due to various factors considered among the agencies, including market and other disruptions precipitated by COVID-19, the agencies have determined to extend the period for completion of their review of the subject residential mortgage provisions and publication of notice disclosing determination of this review until June 20, 2021.

Brian P. Brooks,

Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

By order of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System acting through the Secretary of the Board under delegated authority.

Ann E. Misback,

Secretary of the Board.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. By order of the Board of Directors. Dated at Washington, DC, on June 19, 2020. **James P. Sheesley,** *Acting Assistant Executive Secretary.*

Dated: June 19, 2020. By the Securities and Exchange Commission. Vanessa A. Countryman, Secretary.

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By the Department of Housing and Urban Development. **Len Wolfson,**Acting Assistant Secretary for Housing –
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